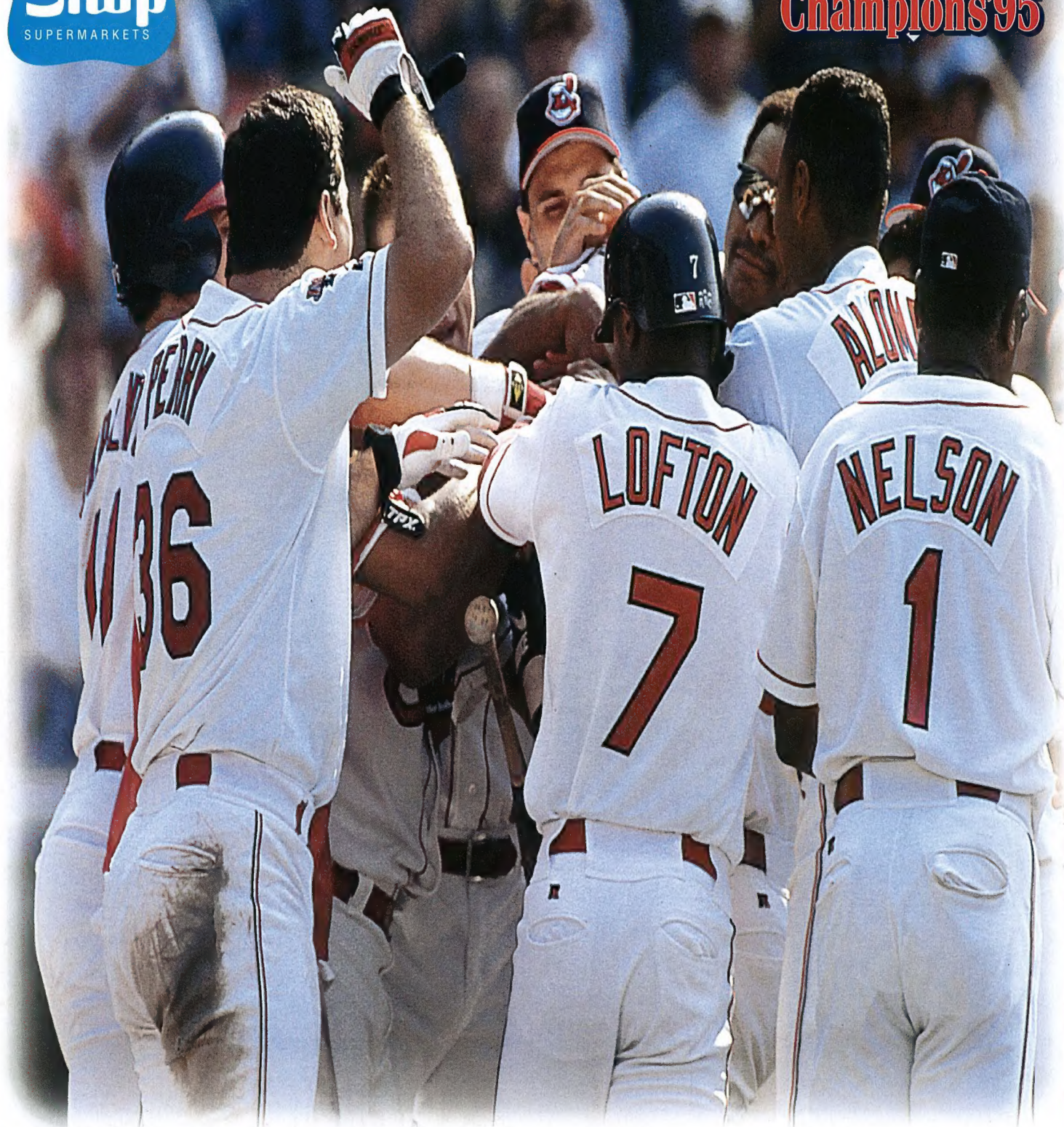


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1996 Everybody's Talkin' Tribe





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ear Stop-n-Shop Shopper and Tribe Fans,

Stop-n-Shop Supermarkets look forward to the 1996 baseball season with our Indians once again contending for that elusive World Championship title. 1995 was again a year of progress... an American League title, the first in over 40 years... before even Stop-n-Shop's inception.

Just as the owners of Stop-n-Shop stores have worked hard for over 38 years to bring you a supermarket experience surpassing your expectations, the Cleveland Indians have again revitalized baseball in this greater north-coast area. They have earned all our support and respect.

The Indians have a state-of-the-art facility, a management team surpassed by none and young, exciting players who exemplify what baseball is all about. We look forward to supporting this team throughout 1996 in their quest to October play.

Stop-n-Shop has lofty goals in 1996 as well. We will do everything possible to continue to be Cleveland's most popular supermarket. We will continue to earn your patronage and your respect, because we are locally owned and operated... have been for over 38 years!

As a "team," Stop-n-Shop and the Indians have many exciting promotions planned for the upcoming season, beginning with the 1996 "Everybody's Talkin' Tribe" Magazine—a preview of the upcoming season, Jacobs Field and players, special sweepstakes, and valuable coupons for many of your favorite products.

We hope you will join us at Stop-n-Shop in supporting "our" team—the Cleveland Indians in 1996.

Sincerely,

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Harry Graham

Executive Director

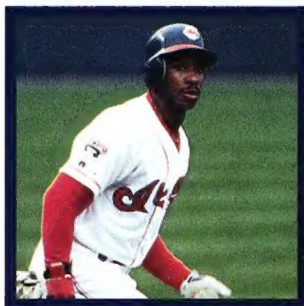
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**T**he magic carpet ride began in early April on the shores of Lake Lulu in Winter Haven, FL, reached a climax in Seattle, WA, and eventually ended in Atlanta, GA, October 28. From the first day of spring training through Game 6 of the World Series, the ride captured the imagination of the city of Cleveland, and the hearts of many across the nation.

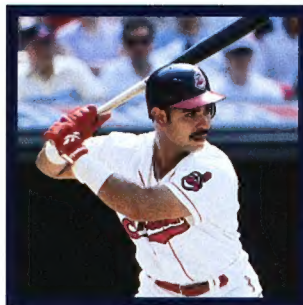
On paper, April to October doesn't seem like a long time. But in those seven months, the Cleveland Indians erased 41 years of frustration and bad baggage left behind by previous regimes. Over that seven-month span the Indians proceeded to win their first American League



Championship since 1954, won their first World Series game since 1948, won the American League's Central Division by an ML record 30 games, and finished with 100



wins in 144 games, the ninth highest (.694) winning percentage in Major League history. The Indians rolled over the American League's Central Division, jump-



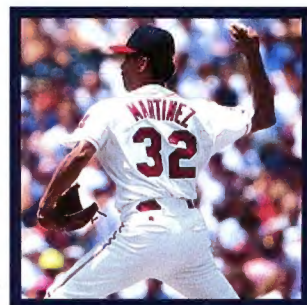
ing out to a 17.5 game lead by the end of July, while never losing more than nine games in any month during the regular season. Along the way, the Indians led the American League in batting average, runs scored, home runs, and ERA, becoming the first AL team since the '71 Baltimore

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Orioles to lead the league in batting average and ERA. The Tribe also sent six representatives to the All-Star Game in Arlington, TX in July, the most since 1955.

The Indians began their first post-season since 1954 against the Boston Red Sox in the best-of-five Division Series. The three-game sweep was due largely to a Tony Pena 13th inning

homer in Game 1 of the Series that lifted the Tribe to a 5-4 win. American League West Champion Seattle, who had just disposed of Wildcard New York



in five games, was the next destination. The Tribe defeated the "Refuse to Lose" Mariners in six games, claiming their first American League Pennant since 1954. The Tribe made their first World Series appearance in 41 years vs. the Atlanta Braves. The Braves, coming off two previous NL Pennants in the 90s, held the Tribe bats in check and claimed the '95 World Series title in six. Over the course of the Tribe's magical ride came an ML-best record of 54-18 (.750) at Jacobs Field. The Indians also won 17 home games in their final at-bat (27 overall) throughout the season. Remarkably, the Indians were 19-2 in one-run games and 9-0 in extra frames at





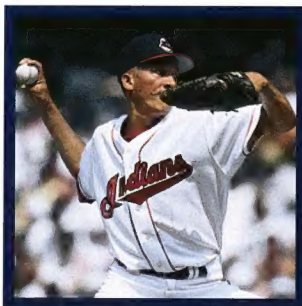
home in 1995. The Indians were 13-0 overall in extra innings in 1995.

Offensively, the Indians were led by LF Albert



Belle. All Belle did was become the first Major Leaguer in history to hit 50 doubles and 50 home runs in the same season, despite playing in only 143

games. Belle became the first Indians player ever to lead the Majors in homers and broke Al Rosen's 42-year-old franchise single-season HR record. Belle was torrid the second half of the season, smashing 31 after August 1, 17 in September alone, breaking Babe Ruth's and Roger Maris' ML record for homers over a two-month span.



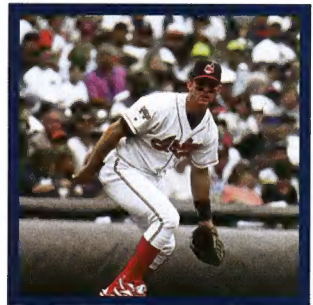
Oh by the way, he finished tied for the AL lead in RBI with 126. Other offensive stars included Kenny Lofton, who led the AL in steals for the fourth straight season. Manny Ramirez, 23, became the second youngest Indians player ever to hit 30 HR and drive in 100 or more runs in a season. Jim Thome and Paul Sorrento each established career-highs in HR and RBI with Thome hitting at

In 1995, a franchise record of more than 2.8 million fans packed Jacobs Field, surpassing the mark set during the 1948 Champion season.

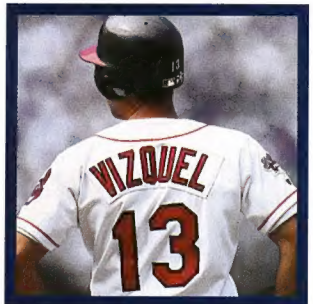
a .314 clip, the 10th best mark in the Junior Circuit. Carlos Baerga was his usual self (.314, 15 HR, 90 RBI) while Eddie Murray drove in 82 runs despite missing most of July with broken ribs. It was Murray's 19th consecutive season with at least 75 RBI (ties ML record with Hank Aaron). Perennial Gold Glover Omar Vizquel drove in a career-best 56 runs and swiped 29 bases. The one question on every mind at the end of spring training was,

"Who is going to close this year?"

The answer turned out to be simple—give Jose Mesa the ball and good things will happen. Mesa set a Major League record

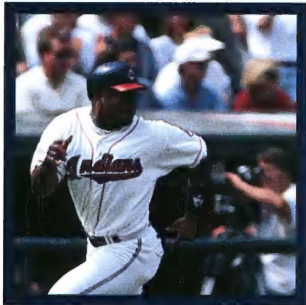


by recording a save in each of his first 38 chances, breaking Dennis Eckersley's 1992 mark of 36. Mesa recorded a franchise record and ML best 46 saves in



48 chances—more than any other team in baseball. His 1.13 ERA was the lowest among ML relievers and the lowest ever by an Indians player with more than 60 innings of work. The Tribe was 60-2 in games when "Joe Table" took the mound.





Other contributors to the best staff in the AL included Orel Hershiser, Charles Nagy, and Dennis Martinez. Hershiser showed signs of returning to his Cy Young winning form of 1988, posting a 16-6 record with a 3.87 ERA. Charles Nagy

also posted a 16-6 record while Dennis Martinez became the only big league pitcher to record 10 or more wins in each of the last nine seasons. Besides Mesa, baseball's best bullpen



consisted of Paul Assenmacher (6-2,

The Tribe was also the hottest ticket on the road—recording average attendance of nearly 30,000 fans in opponents' parks, the best mark in baseball.

2.82), Eric Plunk (6-2, 2.67), Jim Poole (3-3, 3.75), and Julian Tavarez (10-2, 2.44). Tavarez, on everyone's all-rookie team, led the AL with his 10 wins in relief.

## '95 Indians Award Winners

### 2B Carlos Baerga—

- The Sporting News AL All-Star Team

### LF Albert Belle—

- The Sporting News Major League Player of the Year
- Baseball Digest Major League Player of the Year
- The Sporting News AL All-Star Team
- AL Silver Slugger Award
- ML Associated Press All-Star Team
- Second in BBWAA AL Most Valuable Player voting
- Ted Williams Greatest Hitter Award

### RHP Orel Hershiser—

- ALCS Most Valuable Player

### CF Kenny Lofton—

- Rawlings Gold Glove Award

### RHP Jose Mesa—

- Roloids AL Reliever of the Year
- The Sporting News AL Fireman of the Year
- ML Associated Press All-Star Team
- Cleveland BBWAA Man of the Year
- Second in BBWAA AL Cy Young Voting and Fourth in BBWAA AL Most Valuable Player voting

### RF Manny Ramirez—

- AL Silver Slugger
- The Sporting News AL All-Star (tied with Jim Edmonds)

### RHP Julian Tavarez—

- The Sporting News AL Rookie Pitcher of the Year
- Seventh in BBWAA AL Rookie of the Year voting
- Baseball Digest All-Rookie Team

### 3B Jim Thome—

- The Sporting News AL All-Star Team
- Cleveland BBWAA Good Guy Award

### SS Omar Vizquel—

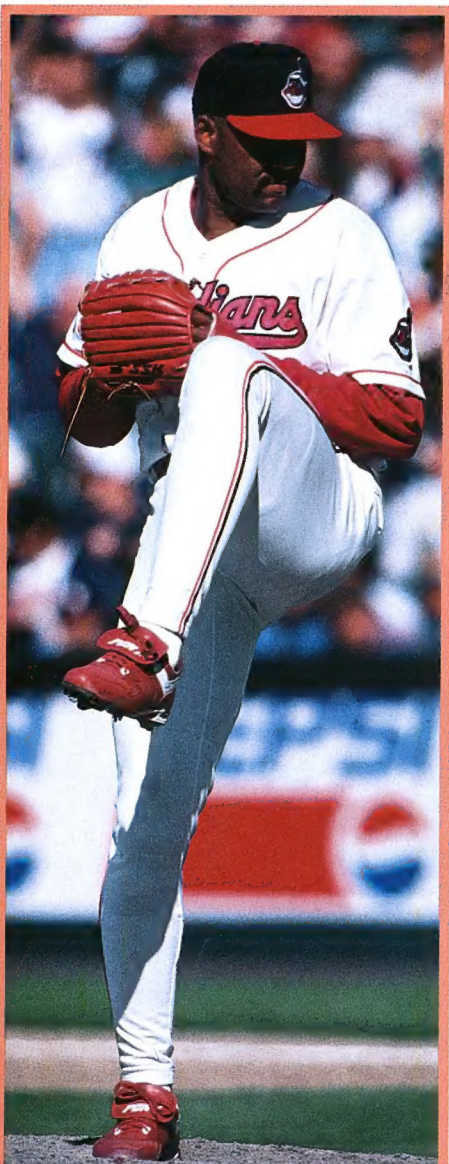
- Rawlings Gold Glove Award

### Manager Mike Hargrove—

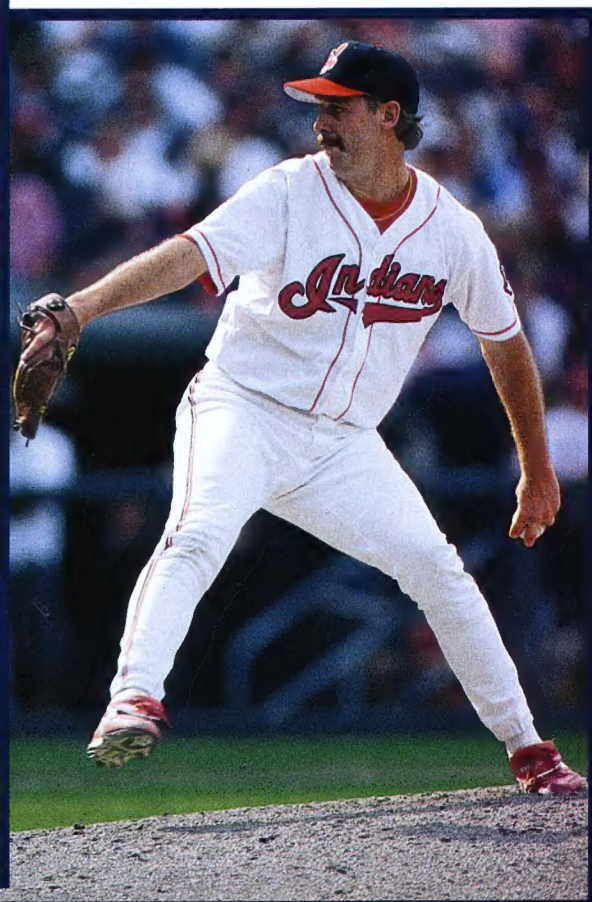
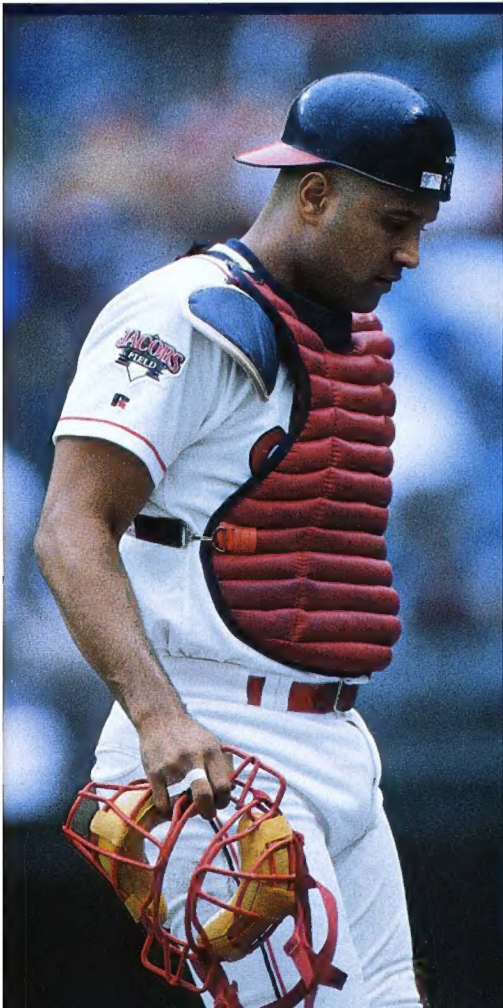
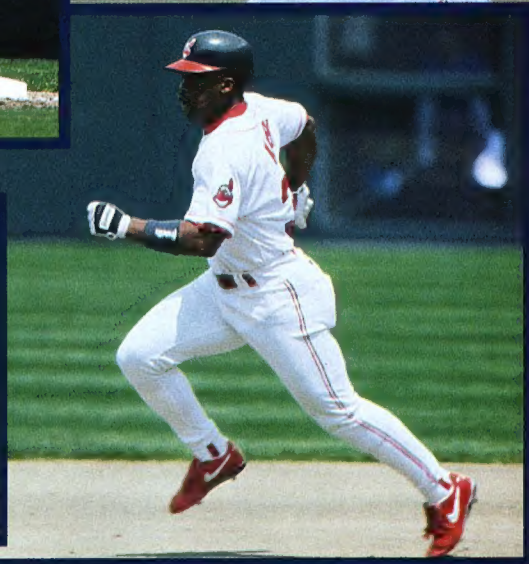
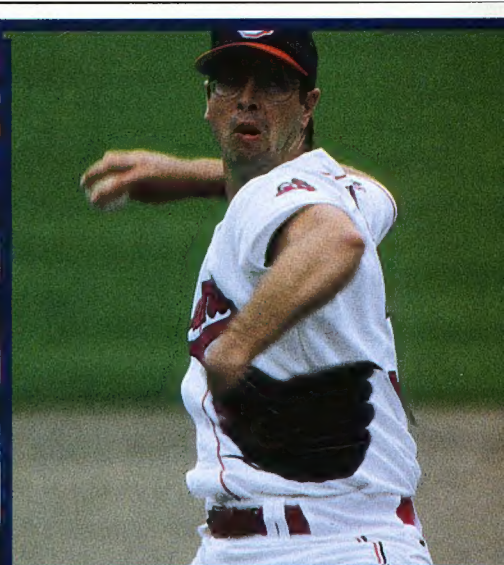
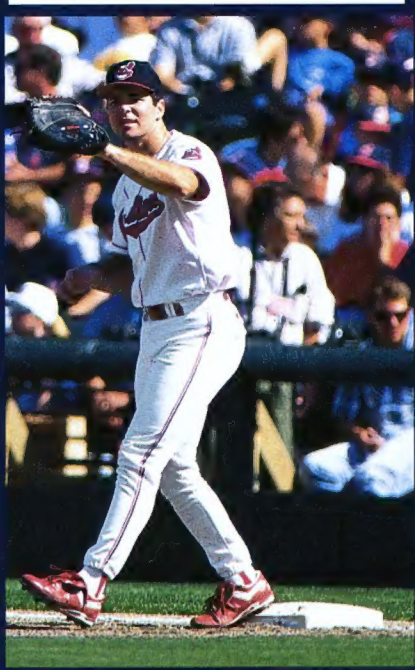
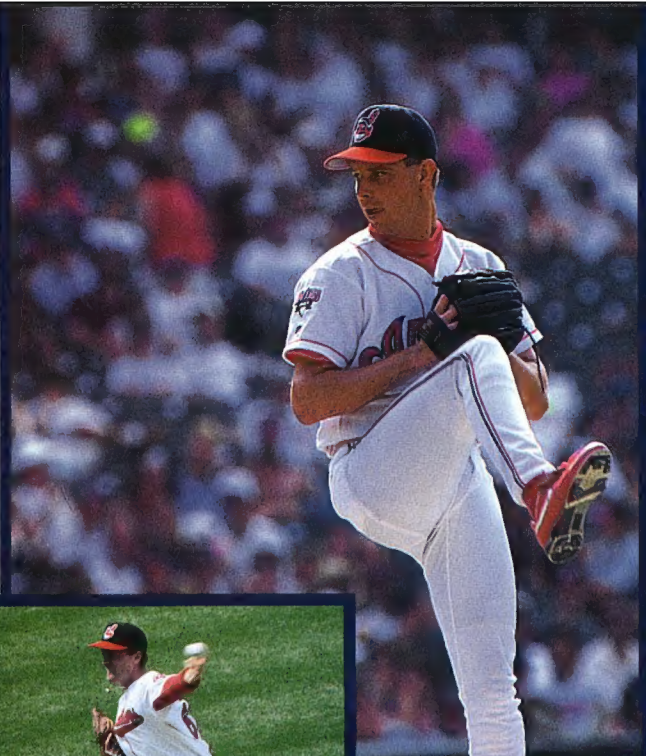
- The Sporting News AL Manager of the Year
- Third in BBWAA AL Manager of the Year voting

### John Hart—

- The Sporting News Executive of the Year









## '95 DIVISION SERIES

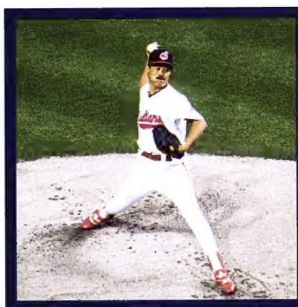
After a season in which the Tribe compiled an astonishing record of 100-44 and won the American League's Central Division by a Major League record 30 games, all the records were thrown out for a

Field on Tuesday, October 3, was the first baseball playoff game in Cleveland since the 1954 season and it slated Boston's Roger Clemens vs. the Tribe's Dennis Martinez. The game was tied into the 11th inning when Boston took the lead on a Tim Lincecum homer off Jim Poole, but Albert

Belle's homer in the bottom half of the frame saved the Tribe from a 1-0 deficit. Belle's bat was claimed by the Sox for the alleged presence of cork after the blast, but was later found to be clean.

The Series' defining moment came in the bottom of the 13th at 2:08am when Tony Pena sent a 3-0 pitch from Zane Smith into the bleachers in left field, giving the Tribe a 5-4 win and a 1-0 series lead.

The Tribe won Game 2, 4-0, largely in part to the pitching of Orel Hershisser, who tossed 7.1 innings of shutout ball while allowing just three hits. A two-run double in the fifth by Omar Vizquel off Boston's Eric Hanson and a two-run homer by Eddie Murray in the eighth provided the



Indians runs and sent them to Boston's Fenway Park with a two games to none advantage.

The Indians completed the sweep in Boston two nights later with a 8-2 win over the BoSox and Tim Wakefield. A two-run homer by Jim Thome in the second inning opened the scoring with Thome providing the Tribe's third run in the third with a bases loaded walk. After Boston scored one in the fourth, the Indians secured their first ever

appearance in the American League Championship Series with five runs in the sixth, securing the 8-2 win. Eddie Murray was 5-for-13 (.385) in the series while Boston's Mo Vaughn and Jose Canseco went a combined 0 for 27.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Indians first ever appearance in the American League Championship Series began on Tuesday, October 10th at The Kingdome in Seattle, WA. The Tribe was

### DIVISION SERIES

#### Game 1 vs. Boston

BOS	002	000	010	010	0—4	11	2
CLE	000	003	000	010	1—5	10	2

#### Game 2 vs. Boston

BOS	000	000	000	—0	3	1
CLE	000	020	02x	—4	4	2

#### Game 3 at Boston

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BOS	000	100	01x	—2	7	1

five-game series between the Cleveland Indians and Boston Red Sox. It was the first Division Series

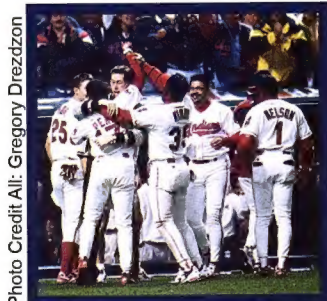


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ever played under the new playoff format and it proved to be a very exciting concept, especially Game 1 between the two franchises. Game 1 at Jacobs

### AL CHAMPIONSHIP

#### Game 1 at Seattle

CLE	001	000	100	—2	10	1
SEA	020	000	10x	—3	7	0

#### Game 2 at Seattle

CLE	000	022	010	—5	12	0
SEA	000	001	001	—2	6	1

#### Game 3 vs. Seattle

CLE	011	000	000	03	—5	9	1
SEA	000	100	010	00	—2	4	2

#### Game 4 vs. Seattle

CLE	000	000	000	—0	6	1
SEA	312	001	00x	—7	9	0

#### Game 5 vs. Seattle

SEA	001	010	000	—2	5	2
CLE	100	002	00x	—3	10	4

#### Game 6 at Seattle

CLE	000	010	030	—4	8	0
SEA	000	000	00x	—0	4	1

going up against the "Refuse to Lose" Mariners, who had just come off an exciting five-game Division Series victory over the New York Yankees. The Tribe dropped Game 1 to the M's and their rookie hurler, Bob Wolcott. Wolcott

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held the Indians to just two runs on eight hits over seven innings before giving way to the Seattle bullpen. Mike Blowers' two-run



homer in the third opened to scoring, but a Thome single in the third and an Albert Belle homer in the seventh tied it up. A Luis Sojo double off

bottom of the seventh put the Tribe on the short end of a 3-2 Seattle victory. The Indians knotted up the series at one game apiece on another solid outing by Orel Hershiser. Hershiser allowed just one run and four hits over eight innings, while Manny Ramirez provided the offensive punch with a 4-for-4



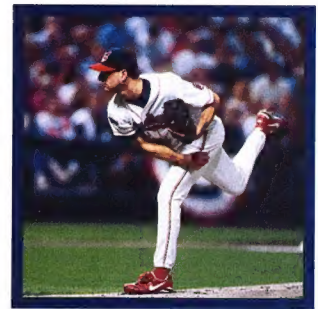
effort with two solo homers. Baerga's two-run single in the fifth broke a 0-0 tie and launched the Tribe toward a 5-2 win, which sent the series back to Jacobs Field tied, 1-1.

The Mariners started Randy Johnson and won Game 3, 5-2, on a three-run homer by Jay Buhner in the 11th inning off Eric Plunk. In the game, Buhner was 2-for-5 with 2 HR and 5 RBI. Charles Nagy started for the Tribe and allowed just one earned run over eight innings. It would be

Being a mascot during the '95 post-season proved a bit dangerous. The many cards and letters showed the city's support for ALL Tribe showmen.

the Tribe's last loss in the ALCS.

The Indians won Game 4, 7-0, on a solid outing by Ken Hill (7.0 IP, 5 H, 0 R) a first inning homer by Eddie Murray, and a third inning homer by Jim Thome. Albert Belle (sprained right ankle) and Sandy Alomar (stiff neck) sat out the contest, but it didn't deter the Tribe. The Indians won pivotal Game 5 on yet another



solid outing by Orel Hershiser (6.0 IP, 1 ER) and a huge two-run homer by Jim Thome in the sixth inning off Chris Bosio that put the Tribe ahead to stay, 3-2.

The Indians returned to Seattle and closed out the series with a 4-0 win over the M's. Dennis Martinez picked up his first career post-season win as the Tribe scored four times off Seattle's Randy Johnson. The Tribe guaranteed their first spot in the World Series in the eighth, which they entered clinging to a 1-0 lead. The Indians scored three in the eighth, and two on a passed ball by Dan Wilson which saw Kenny Lofton score all the way from second base. Carlos Baerga followed the passed ball with a solo homer which sent Johnson packing. Hershiser garnered MVP honors with his two "must" wins, while Lofton went 11 for 24 (.458) with three RBI and five steals.



## WORLD SERIES

### Game 1 at Atlanta

CLE	100	000	001	—2	2	0
ATL	010	000	20x	—3	3	2

### Game 2 at Atlanta

CLE	020	000	100	—3	6	2
ATL	002	002	00x	—4	8	2

### Game 3 vs. Atlanta

ATL	100	001	130	00	—6	12	1
CLE	202	000	110	01	—7	12	2

### Game 4 vs. Atlanta

ATL	000	001	301	—5	11	1
CLE	000	001	001	—2	6	0

### Game 5 vs. Atlanta

ATL	000	110	002	—4	7	0
CLE	200	002	01x	—5	8	1

### Game 6 at Atlanta

CLE	000	000	000	—0	1	1
SEA	000	001	00x	—1	6	0

## WORLD SERIES

The 91st Fall Classic began in Atlanta, GA on Sat., October 21 vs. the NL Champion Atlanta Braves. It marked the Tribe's first World Series appearance in 41 years. Game 1 featured a stellar match-up between Orel Hershisier and Atlanta's Greg Maddux. After the Tribe scored an unearned run in the first inning, Maddux shut them down until the ninth, when Kenny Lofton scored yet another unearned run. Maddux allowed just two hits and two unearned runs in the complete game victory.

Offensively, Atlanta scored three times, one in the second on a solo HR by Fred McGriff, and two in the seventh on a fielders choice and a squeeze bunt by Rafael Belliard. It was Hershisier's first career post-season loss.

The Braves captured another one-run victory in Game 2 with a 4-3 win. The

Indians scored first on an Eddie Murray two-run homer in the second off winner Tom Glavine, but Atlanta tied it in the third with two of their own. The game's decisive moment came in the sixth inning when Javy Lopez hit a two-run homer off Dennis Martinez, giving the Braves an eventual 4-2



win and a two games to none advantage. The Series shifted to

Cleveland for Game 3 and witnessed the Tribe's first World Series victory since 1948 with a 7-6 win. Eddie Murray's single in the 11th inning won it for the Tribe as Jose Mesa worked the final three innings for the victory. Kenny Lofton was 3-for-3 with 3 RS and Carlos Baerga went 3-6 with 3 RBI and a leadoff double in the 11th which led to the eventual winning run. The following



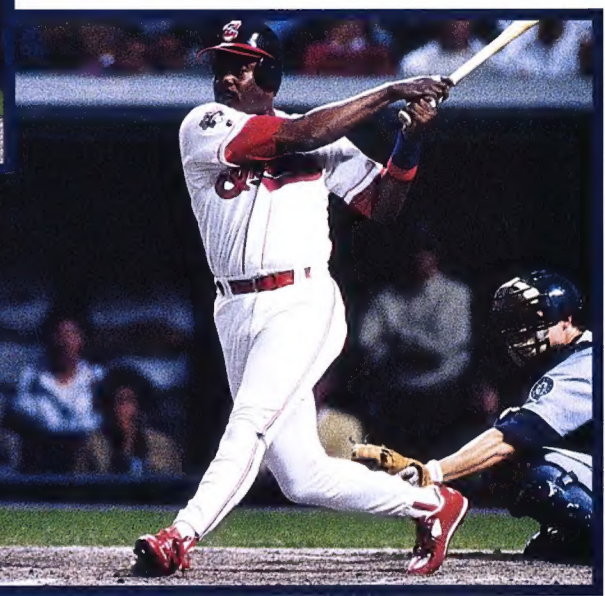
night, the Braves took a three games to one advantage over the Tribe and Ken Hill with a 5-2 victory. The Braves broke a 1-1 tie in the sixth inning with a 3-spot, two coming on a 2-out single by David Justice to right field. Steve Avery picked up the win for the Braves.

The Tribe faced a three games to one disadvantage and NL best Greg Maddux on the hill in Game 5. So what happened? The Indians went out and beat the Braves and

Maddux, 5-4, which sent the series back to Atlanta. The Tribe opened the scoring in the first on a two-run, opposite field homer by Albert Belle. The Braves tied it with runs in the fourth and fifth innings before the Indians broke the 2-2 tie in the sixth on singles by Jim Thome and Manny Ramirez. Thome hit a 435-foot blast in the eighth to extend the lead to 5-2. The homer was pivotal after Ryan Klesko's two-run homer in the ninth off Jose Mesa which brought the Braves within one at 5-4. Mesa closed it out for his first World Series save, preserving Orel Hershisier's fourth post-season win.

Game 6 returned to Atlanta, and the Braves captured their first championship since 1959 while the city of Atlanta captured its first world championship in a major sport. Tom Glavine and Mark Wohlers held the Tribe to a season-low one hit, a bloop single by Tony Pena in the sixth. The games only run came in the sixth on a leadoff, solo HR by David Justice off Jim Poole. In the series, Atlanta pitchers held the Tribe bats in check with a .179 BA.









*by Mike Hargrove*

I don't know if I have ever looked so forward to an upcoming season in my 25 years of professional baseball. After the wonderful ride we had in '95, claiming our first AL Championship in 41 years, it's tough for anyone not to place high expectations on 1996.

Last season was one I will never forget as long as I live. I was so proud of the way our team gave it their all on a daily basis, compiling a Major League-best record of 100-44 on their way to winning the Central Division by

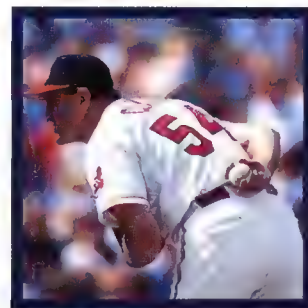
30 games. We were focused from day 1 of spring training in April all the way through Game 6 of the World Series. They gave the fans of Cleveland the most memorable summer since 1954. One thing I hold dear in my heart is the fact that we created a whole new generation of Cleveland Indians fans. Our accomplishments of 1995 are not going to win us any games in '96, so we have to work just as hard or harder. What we tried to do this off-season is keep most of the '95 team intact while

working to improve in a couple of areas. The first addition was to the pitching staff. JACK McDOWELL is a tremendous pitcher in the prime of his career. It will bring me great pleasure to give Mr. McDowell the baseball on every fifth day. Jack is a ferocious competitor who should give a lot of quality innings to the rotation that led the AL in ERA. In addition to Jack we will have DENNIS

Mike Hargrove is the last Indians manager to remain at the helm for more than five seasons since Al Lopez skippered the Tribe from 1951-1956.

MARTINEZ, CHARLES NAGY, and OREL HERSHISER back for the 1996 campaign. Dennis will be looking to become the winningest Latin American pitcher in history this season, while Chuck looks to put together another season similar to his 16-6 campaign of 1995. What you saw from Orel Hershisier in the second half of last season and in the playoffs, was him regaining command of the pitches that made him a dominating star-

ter in the late '80s. Look for MARK CLARK, CHAD OGEA, and ALBIE LOPEZ to battle for the fifth spot during spring training. JOE ROA, who won 17



games at AAA last season, will also compete for a job in Winter Haven.

The bullpen will look very similar to the relief corp that led the American League in '95 with a 3.05 ERA.



JOSE MESA had the best year I can remember a reliever ever having, compiling an ML best 46 saves in 48 opportunities. He will again be the closer. ERIC PLUNK and JULIAN TAVAREZ will be the right-handed set-up men, while veteran PAUL ASSEN-MACHER, ALAN

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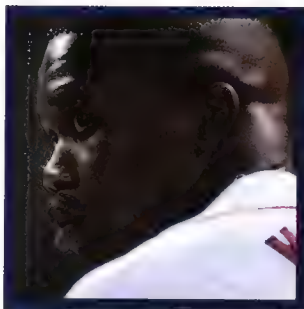
EMBREE, and JIM POOLE provide me with three quality left-handers out of the bullpen. PAUL SHUEY will also compete for a job at spring training. The other addition that I previously mentioned is JULIO FRANCO, who returns to Cleveland after spending the '95 season in Japan. I look for Julio to hit in the #2 hole behind Kenny Lofton and play first, a position which earned him a Gold Glove in Japan. Julio is one of the purest hitters in the game and should thrive behind Kenny. The rest of the infield will look familiar: three-time All-Star CARLOS BAERGA at second base, three-time Gold Glover OMAR VIZQUEL at shortstop, and the up and coming JIM THOME at third. EDDIE MURRAY returns for a



third season as he continues his march toward home run #500. Eddie will spend a lot of time at DH this season, but he will also play some at first. ALVARO ESPINOZA



gives us yet another quality season backing up all four infield positions, while HERBERT PERRY gives us a valuable right-handed bat off the bench and can play first, third, and outfield. DAMIAN JACKSON and ENRIQUE WILSON are a couple of our



promising, young middle infielders who look to impress at the minor league level. The outfield that sent all three of its members to the All-Star Game last year returns after a huge 1995. ALBERT BELLE looks

This past fall, the Indians sold a record 1.3 million tickets in just nine days—no other club in Major League history has ever come close!

to add his name to the record books some more after becoming the first player ever to hit 50 2B and 50 HR in the same season. KENNY LOFTON, as exciting a player as anyone I've ever seen in baseball, seeks his fourth straight Gold Glove and fifth straight stolen base title this year. MANNY RAMIREZ will look to improve on a sophomore season that saw him hit 31 homers with 107 RBI. WAYNE KIRBY returns for another season as JEREMY BURNITZ and BRIAN GILES look to crack the squad as backup outfielders. Behind the plate, we're as strong as anyone in the league with SANDY ALOMAR and TONY PENA. Alomar is great defensively and is capable of hitting .300. Tony is invaluable because he has such a stabilizing influence on our pitching staff. JESSE LEVIS returns for another season as does promising youngster EINAR DIAZ. A handful of our promising youngsters have been added to

the 40-man roster and look to make their marks this year at various levels of our minor league system. The list includes MAXIMO de la ROSA, PEP HARRIS, '93 first round pick DARON KIRKREIT, '94 Bob Feller Award winner STEVEN KLINE, '95 Rule 5 selection JIM LEWIS, and JEFF SEXTON, who won 11 straight games at Kinston and Columbus in 1995.

My coaching staff remains the same with the exception of BUDDY BELL, who left the staff to manage the Detroit Tigers. I wish Buddy all the success in the world. Replacing Bell as infield coach will be TOBY HARRAH. I look forward to working with Toby, who will also coach at third. JEFF NEWMAN will now serve as bench coach. The rest of the staff consists of DAVE NELSON (1B/outfield), MARK WILEY (pitching), CHARLIE MANUEL (batting), DAN WILLIAMS (working coach/bullpen catcher), and LUIS ISAAC (bullpen). 1996 looks to be every bit as exciting as '95. The fans of Cleveland will see many of the same faces they followed during 1995. I look forward to guiding this hard working, devoted group.



# 1996 Cleveland Indians



Manager: Mike Hargrove (21).

Coaches: Toby Harrah (11), Luis Isaac (6), Charlie Manuel (42), Dave Nelson (1), Jeff Newman (16), Mark Wiley (28), Dan Williams (43).

No.	PITCHERS (23)	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1995 Club	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	MLS
45	ASSENMACHER, Paul	L	L	6-3	210	12-10-60	Allen Park, MI	Stone Mountain, GA	CLEVELAND	6-2	2.82	47	0	0	0	38.1	32	13	12	12	40	9+105
54	CLARK, Mark	R	R	6-5	225	5-12-68	Bath, IL	Springfield, IL	CLEVELAND	9-7	5.27	22	21	2	0	124.2	143	77	73	42	68	3+073
64	de la ROSA, Maximo	R	R	5-11	170	7-12-71	Villa Mella, DR	Villa Mella, DR	Buffalo	4-0	3.57	5	5	0	0	35.1	39	14	14	10	17	
									Kinston	5-2	2.19	43	0	0	8	61.2	46	23	15	37	61	0+000
									Canton-Akron	0-0	54.00	1	0	0	0	0.1	1	2	2	1	0	
56	EMBREE, Alan	L	L	6-2	190	1-23-70	Vancouver, WA	N. Olmsted, OH	Buffalo	3-4	0.89	30	0	0	5	40.2	31	10	4	19	56	1+089
									CLEVELAND	3-2	5.11	23	0	0	1	24.2	23	16	14	16	23	
52	HARRIS, Pep	R	R	6-2	185	9-23-72	Lancaster, SC	Lancaster, SC	Buffalo	2-1	2.48	14	0	0	0	32.2	32	11	9	15	18	0+000
									Canton-Akron	6-3	2.39	32	7	0	10	83.0	78	34	22	23	40	
55	HERSHISER, Orel	R	R	6-3	195	9-16-58	Buffalo, NY	Winter Park, FL	CLEVELAND	16-6	3.87	26	26	1	0	167.1	151	76	72	51	111	1+151
39	KIRKREIT, Daron	R	R	6-6	225	8-7-72	Anaheim, CA	Norco, CA	Canton-Akron	2-9	5.69	14	14	1	0	80.2	74	54	51	46	67	0+000
									Kinston	0-1	5.93	3	3	0	0	13.2	14	9	9	6	14	
44	KLINE, Steven	S	L	6-2	200	8-22-72	Sunbury, PA	Winfield, PA	Canton-Akron	2-3	2.52	14	14	0	0	89.1	86	34	25	30	45	0+000
51	LEWIS, James	R	R	6-4	190	1-31-70	Jacksonville, FL	Jacksonville, FL	Buffalo	6-4	3.64	18	16	1	1	94.0	101	42	38	25	50	0+007
59	LOPEZ, Albie	R	R	6-2	205	8-18-71	Mesa, AZ	Mesa, AZ	Buffalo	5-10	4.44	18	18	1	0	101.1	101	57	50	51	82	0+112
									CLEVELAND	0-0	3.13	6	2	0	0	23.0	17	8	8	7	22	
32	MARTINEZ, Dennis	R	R	6-1	180	5-14-55	Granada, Nicaragua	Miami, FL	CLEVELAND	12-5	3.08	28	28	3	0	187.0	174	71	64	46	99	18+145
29	McDOWELL, Jack	R	R	6-5	188	1-16-66	Van Nuys, CA	Chicago, IL	New York (AL)	15-10	3.93	30	30	8	0	217.2	211	106	95	78	157	6+153
49	MESA, Jose	R	R	6-3	225	5-22-66	Azua, DR	Westlake, OH	CLEVELAND	3-0	1.13	62	0	0	46	64.0	49	9	8	17	58	4+147
41	NAGY, Charles	L	R	6-3	200	5-5-67	Fairfield, CT	Westlake, OH	CLEVELAND	16-6	4.55	29	29	2	0	178.0	194	95	90	61	139	4+167
37	OGEA, Chad	R	R	6-2	200	11-9-70	Lake Charles, LA	Lake Charles, LA	Buffalo	0-1	4.58	4	4	0	0	17.2	16	12	9	8	11	0+154
									CLEVELAND	8-3	3.05	20	14	1	0	106.1	95	38	36	29	57	
38	PLUNK, Eric	R	R	6-6	220	9-3-63	Wilmington, CA	Riverside, CA	CLEVELAND	6-2	2.67	56	0	0	2	64.0	48	19	19	27	71	9+021
62	POOLE, Jim	L	L	6-2	203	4-28-66	Rochester, NY	Gainesville, FL	Buffalo	0-0	27.00	1	1	0	0	2.2	7	8	8	2	0	4+035
									CLEVELAND	3-3	3.75	42	0	0	0	50.1	40	22	21	17	41	
47	ROA, Joe	R	R	6-1	194	10-11-71	Southfield, MI	Hazel Park, MI	Buffalo	17-3	3.50	25	24	3	0	164.2	168	71	64	28	93	0+016
									CLEVELAND	0-1	6.00	1	1	0	0	6.0	9	4	4	2	0	
66	SEXTON, Jeff	R	R	6-2	190	10-4-71	Westminster, CA	Indianola, OK	Columbus	6-2	2.19	14	13	2	0	82.1	66	27	20	16	71	0+000
									Kinston	5-1	2.53	8	8	2	0	57.0	52	17	16	7	41	
53	SHUEY, Paul	R	R	6-3	215	9-16-70	Lima, OH	Raleigh, NC	CLEVELAND	0-2	4.26	7	0	0	0	6.1	5	4	3	5	5	0+120
									Buffalo	1-2	2.63	25	0	0	11	27.1	21	9	8	7	27	
50	TAVAREZ, Julian	R	R	6-2	165	5-22-73	Santiago, DR	Broadview Hts., OH	CLEVELAND	10-2	2.44	57	0	0	0	85.0	76	36	23	21	68	1+054
83	THOBE, J.J.	R	R	6-6	205	11-19-70	Covington, KY	Huntington Bch., CA	Ottawa	5-8	3.27	55	0	0	5	88.0	79	37	32	16	36	0+014
									Montreal	0-0	9.00	4	0	0	0	4.0	6	4	4	3	0	
63	WHITTEN, Casey	L	L	6-0	175	5-23-72	Evansville, IN	Terre Haute, IN	Canton-Akron	9-8	3.31	20	20	2	0	114.1	100	49	42	38	91	0+000
No.	CATCHERS (3)	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1995 Club	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	MLS
15	ALOMAR, Sandy	R	R	6-5	215	6-18-66	Salinas, PR	Westlake, OH	Canton-Akron	.400	6	15	3	6	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	5+166
									CLEVELAND	.300	66	203	32	61	6	0	10	35	7	26	3	
60	DIAZ, Einar	R	R	5-10	165	12-28-72	Chiriqui, Panama	Chiriqui, Panama	Kinston	.263	104	373	46	98	21	0	6	43	12	29	3	0+000
12	LEVIS, Jesse	L	R	5-9	180	4-14-68	Philadelphia, PA	Philadelphia, PA	CLEVELAND	.333	12	18	1	6	2	0	0	3	0	0	1+028	
									Buffalo	.311	66	196	26	61	16	0	4	20	32	11	0	
No.	INFELDERS (8)	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1995 Club	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	MLS
9	BAERGA, Carlos	S	R	5-11	200	11-4-68	San Juan, PR	Westlake, OH	CLEVELAND	.314	135	557	87	175	28	2	15	90	35	31	11	5+119
20	FRANCO, Julio	R	R	6-1	190	8-23-61	SP de Macoris, DR	SP de Macoris, DR	Chiba Lotte	.306	127	474	60	145	25	3	10	58	64	106	11	12+008
61	JACKSON, Damian	R	R	5-10	160	8-16-73	Los Angeles, CA	Concord, CA	Canton-Akron	.248	131	484	67	120	20	2	3	34	65	103	10	2+000
33	MURRAY, Eddie	S	R	6-2	220	2-24-56	Los Angeles, CA	Los Angeles, CA	CLEVELAND	.323	113	436	68	141	21	0	21	82	39	65	5	18+119
36	PERRY, Herbert	R	R	6-2	215	9-15-69	Live Oak, FL	Mayo, FL	Buffalo	.317	49	180	27	57	14	1	2	17	15	18	1	0+125
									CLEVELAND	.315	52	162	23	51	13	1	3	23	13	28	1	
25	THOME, Jim	L	R	6-4	220	8-27-70	Peoria, IL	Peoria, IL	CLEVELAND	.314	137	452	92	142	29	3	25	73	97	113	4	2+61
13	VIZQUEL, Omar	S	R	5-9	165	4-24-67	Caracas, Ven.	Bellevue, WA	CLEVELAND	.266	136	542	87	144	28	0	6	56	55	59	29	6+77
68	WILSON, Enrique	S	R	5-11	160	7-27-75	Santo Domingo, DR	Santo Domingo, DR	Kinston	.267	117	464	55	124	24	7	6	52	25	38	18	0+000
No.	OUTFIELDERS (6)	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1995 Club	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	MLS
8	BELLE, Albert	R	R	6-2	210	8-25-66	Shreveport, LA	Euclid, OH	CLEVELAND	.317	143	546	121	173	52	1	50	126	13	80	5	5+062
23	BURNITZ, Jeromy	L	R	6-0	190	4-15-69	Westminster, CA	Tavernier, FL	Buffalo	.284	128	443	72	126	26	7	19	85	50	83	13	1+012
									CLEVELAND	.571	9	7	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
22	GILES, Brian	L	L	5-11	195	1-21-71	El Cajon, CA	El Cajon, CA	Buffalo	.310	123	413	67	128	18	8	15	67	54	40	7	0+016
									CLEVELAND	.556	6	9	6	5	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	
35	KIRBY, Wayne	L	R	5-10	190	1-22-64	Williamsburg, VA	Las Vegas, NV	CLEVELAND	.207	101	188	29	39	10	2	1	14	13	32	10	2+164
7	LOFTON, Kenny	L	L	6-0	180	5-31-67	East Chicago, IN	Tucson, AZ	CLEVELAND	.310	118	481	93	149	22	13	7	53	46	49	54	3+142
24	RAMIREZ, Manny	R	R	6-0	190	5-30-72	Santo Domingo, DR	Wash. Hts., NY	CLEVELAND	.308	137	484	85	149	26	1	31	107	71	12	6	1+152

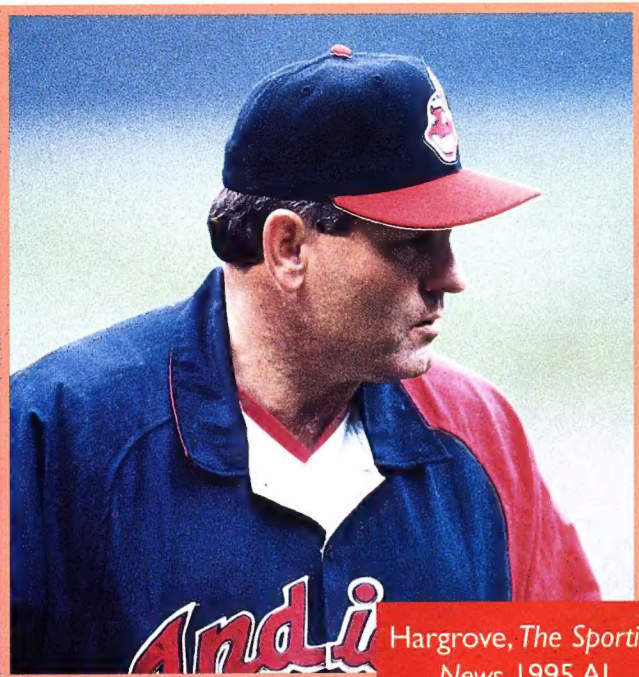
## Numerical Roster

- 1 Dave Nelson, coach
- 3 Retired - Earl Averill
- 5 Retired - Lou Boudreau
- 6 Luis Isaac, coach
- 7 Kenny Lofton, of
- 8 Albert Belle, of
- 9 Carlos Baerga, inf
- 10 Alvaro Espinoza, inf
- 11 Toby Harrah, coach
- 12 Jesse Levis, c
- 13 Omar Vizquel, inf
- 14 Retired - Larry Doby
- 15 Sandy Alomar, c
- 16 Jeff Newman, coach
- 17 Tony Pena, c
- 18 Retired - Mel Harder
- 19 Retired - Bob Feller
- 20 Julio Franco, inf
- 21 Mike Hargrove, Manager
- 22 Brian Giles, of
- 23 Jeromy Burnitz, of
- 24 Manny Ramirez, of
- 25 Jim Thome, inf

- 28 Mark Wiley, coach
- 29 Jack McDowell, rhp
- 32 Dennis Martinez, rhp
- 33 Eddie Murray, inf
- 35 Wayne Kirby, of
- 36 Herbert Perry, inf
- 37 Chad Ogea, rhp
- 38 Eric Plunk, rhp
- 39 Daron Kirkreit, rhp
- 40 Bartolo Colon, rhp
- 41 Charles Nagy, rhp
- 42 Charlie Manuel, coach
- 43 Dan Williams, coach
- 44 Steve Kline, lhp
- 45 Paul Assenmacher, lhp
- 46 Drew Denson, inf/of
- 47 Joe Roa, rhp
- 48 Jason Grimsley, rhp
- 49 Jose Mesa, rhp
- 50 Julian Tavaraz, rhp
- 51 James Lewis, rhp
- 52 Pep Harris, rhp
- 53 Paul Shuey, rhp

- 54 Mark Clark, rhp
- 55 Orel Hershiser, rhp
- 56 Alan Embree, lhp
- 57 Willie Smith, rhp
- 58 Don Sparks, inf
- 59 Albie Lopez, rhp
- 60 Einar Diaz, c
- 61 Damian Jackson, inf
- 62 Jim Poole, lhp
- 63 Casey Whitten, lhp
- 64 Maximo de la Rosa, rhp
- 65 Kevin Tolar, lhp
- 66 Jeff Sexton, rhp
- 67 Ryan Martindale, c
- 68 Enrique Wilson, inf
- 69 Danny Graves, rhp
- 70 Eric Helfand, c
- 71 Steve Dunn, inf
- 72 Mario Diaz, inf
- 73 J.J. Thobe, rhp





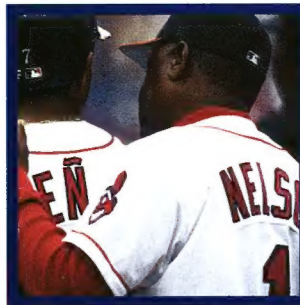
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Mike Hargrove enters his fifth full season at the helm. Hargrove, *The Sporting News* 1995 AL "Manager of the Year," owns a managerial mark of 350-316. The 350 wins is the sixth highest total among managers in Tribe history. Hargrove's current four-year tenure



is the longest since Al Lopez' six-year reign from 1951-'56. Grover spent 12 seasons in the Major Leagues, six with the Tribe. The 1974 AL "Rookie of the Year" and 1975 All-Star

owns a career BA of .290 (1614-5564) with 80 HR and 686 RBI. He also set an Indians single-season record with 111 walks in 1980 and led the American League in 1978 with 107 walks. Mike Hargrove calls his staff the "hardest working and most qualified staff in the game today." All but one member of the '95 staff returns in 1996. The exception is infield/bench coach Buddy Bell, who was named manager of the Detroit Tigers in November. Replacing Bell is Toby Harrah, who will serve as the Tribe's infield/third base coach. Harrah spent the '95 season as skipper of



the AAA Norfolk Tides of the International League. Harrah guided the New York Mets AAA affiliate to an IL best 86-56 record and was named IL 1995 "Manager of the Year." He served as first base coach for the Texas Rangers from 1989-91 and as Bobby Valentine's bench coach in '92. Harrah replaced Valentine in July, 1992, guiding the Rangers the remainder of the season to a 32-44 record as interim skipper. Harrah owns a lifetime batting average of .264 in 17 ML seasons with the Senators, Rangers, Indians, and Yankees. He also led the league in 1977 in Texas with 109 walks. Moving from his third base coaching post to bench coach is Jeff Newman, who enters his fifth season on Hargrove's coaching staff. Prior to joining the Tribe, Newman spent the previous six years as a coach and manager in the Oakland Athletics organization. Jeff spent nine

years in the big leagues, his first seven with the Oakland A's, and owns a career average of .224 with 63 HR and 233 RBI which included a spot on the 1979 AL All-Star team. Newman hit .231 in 1979 with a career-best 22 HR and 71 RBI. Dave Nelson also enters his fifth season as Indians first base coach. Davey fine tunes the Tribe's base running skills and coaches the outfielders. Nelson enjoyed a 10-year ML career, coming up in the Indians orga-



nization and spending his first two seasons at the big league level in Cleveland. Nelson compiled a career average of .244 with 187 stolen bases. Davey, an All-Star in 1973, stole a career-best 51 the year before with the Texas Rangers, which was the second highest mark in the American League. Mark Wiley is in his second season as the



Indians pitching coach. Wiley also served in the same position with the Tribe from 1988-91. Last season Mark guided the Tribe pitching staff to its American League ERA title since 1968 with a mark of 3.83. Wiley, the Minnesota Twins' second round pick of the 1970 draft,

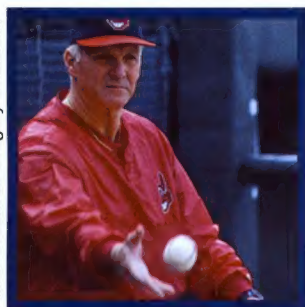


the 1970 New York-Penn League "Player of the Year," was 90-78 in his career at the AAA level. Prior to coming to Cleveland in 1988, Wiley was a coach and manager at various levels of the Baltimore Orioles organization from 1981-87. Charlie Manuel is also in his second year as the Indians batting coach. Charlie was the Tribe batting coach in 1988-89. Last season Tribe batters hit an ML-best .291 while compiling ML-highs in hits, runs, and home runs. The 207 home runs was also a fran-

chise record and Albert Belle became the first player in history to hit 50 doubles and 50 HR in the same season. Manuel's 19-year playing career included 384 Major League at-bats over six Major League seasons. Charlie also spent six seasons playing professionally in Japan from 1976-81, where he clubbed 192 home runs in six seasons and was named MVP in 1979. After his playing career, he managed and coached in the Minnesota organization before coming over to the Tribe as hitting instructor in 1988. Manuel managed the Tribe's AAA affiliates in Colorado Springs and Charlotte between his stints as batting coach. His teams won their

respective league championships in 1992 & '93. Luis Isaac owns the longest uniformed tenure of anyone in the Cleveland Indians organization. Luis has been a member of the Indians organization as a player, manager and coach since 1965. Isaac is currently in his second season as the Tribe bullpen coach. Isaac assisted Charlie Manuel at the AAA level in 1992 & '93, prior to that Luis served in his current position at the big league level from 1987 through 1991. Isaac played 16 seasons as a catcher from 1962-1977, and was a player/coach for the Cleveland Indians from 1973-77.

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enjoyed an 11-year professional pitching career in the Twins, Padres, Blue Jays and Orioles systems, appearing in 21 games at the ML level from 1975-78. Mark,

#### Puzzle Answers (from Page 30):

##### Name Game

Mariners (Seattle), Pirates (Pittsburgh), Cubs (Chicago), Rockies (Colorado), White Sox (Chicago), Astros (Houston), Cardinals (St. Louis), Indians (Cleveland), Brewers (Milwaukee), Red Sox (Boston), Braves (Atlanta), Marlins (Florida), Yankees (New York), Twins (Minnesota), Tigers (Detroit), Phillies (Philadelphia), Angels (California), Mets (New York), Royals (Kansas City), Dodgers (Los Angeles), Blue

Jays (Toronto), Athletics (Oakland), Rangers (Texas), Padres (San Diego), Expos (Montreal), Reds (Cincinnati), Orioles (Baltimore), Giants (San Francisco).

##### Pop (Fly) Quiz

There are 30 balls in the pyramid (one on top layer;  $2 \times 2 = 4$  on second layer;  $3 \times 3 = 9$  on third layer; and  $4 \times 4 = 16$  on bottom layer), and three would be left after the Tribe wins.

##### Goin' Batty

There are 25 bats in the pile, so the Indians should order seven more for their road trip.

##### Wordball

Our list of words:

**(two letters):** ad, an, as, do, go, id, in, is, no, on, so;

**(three letters):** ado, ads, aga, ago, aid, and, ani, dad, dag, did, din, dog, don, gad, gag, gas, gig, gin, god, ion, nag, nod, sad, sin, sod, son; **(four letters):**

agio, agog, aids, anis, anna, anon, dada, dado, dads, dags, dais, dang, digs, ding, dins, dodo, dogs, dong, dons, gaga, gags, gain, gigs, gang, goad, gods, gong, ions, nags, naos, nods, no-no, saga, sago, sags, said, sain, sand, sang, sans,

sign, sins, snag, soda, sods, sogs, song, sons, so-so;

**(five letters):** adios, again, anion, dados, dingo, dings, dodos, doing, dong, gangs, goads, going, gonad, gongs, naiad, nion, onion, sagas, saiga, sands, signs, sings, snags, sodas, songs;

**(six letters):** adagio, angina, dining, disdain, doings, gnosis, gonads, indign, indigo, inning, naiads, nosing, onions, siding; **(seven letters):** dinging, donning, Indians, ingoing, innings, ongoing, signing, singing; **(eight letters):** disdains, insignia; **(nine letters):** diagnosis, insignias.



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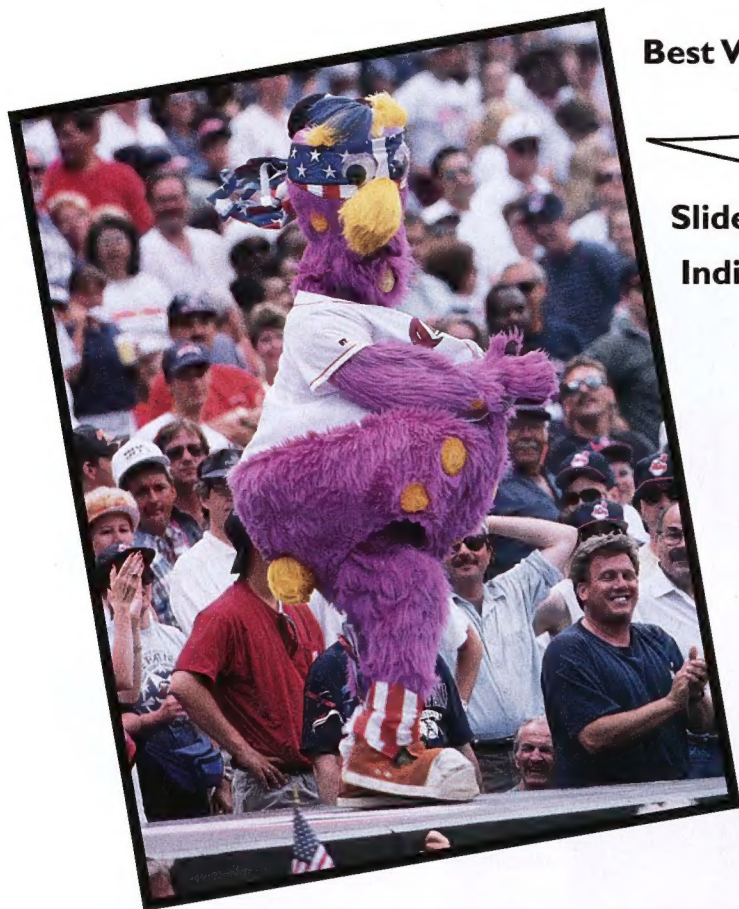


I would like to thank each of you once again for your incredible support throughout the 1995 season.

I have been working very hard during the off-season to prepare my knee for all of the excitement 1996 promises to bring.

Remember, good things happen to people who make goals and work hard to achieve them. It's very important to respect your parents and teachers.

I hope to see you all at Jacobs Field this summer for a fun-filled season!



Best Wishes,

Slider  
Indians Mascot

#### Slider's Fun Facts—

Many of the Cleveland Indians have special routines that they maintain during the off-season—some play in Winter Ball leagues, or follow a strict workout schedule so they can stay in peak shape... and some enjoy spending time with their families and traveling... Well, Slider is no exception. Here are a few things Slider does to prepare for the new season.

#### On his diet—

- During the off-season, I try to watch what I eat by staying out of all supermarkets and any other places that sell food! I'm on a very strict diet of 15 cartons of yogurt per day (low fat, of course) instead of my normal intake of three large pizzas, four hot dogs and two tubs of popcorn, which I eat during ballgames.

#### On health and hygiene—

- It is important to look and feel good—so I treat myself to an exclusive mascot massage and “beauty day” each winter. Along with working out all the “kinks,” trained professionals also remove any mustard stains that may have accumulated on my fur. If I really feel like splurging, I get a manicure and a pedicure, too—it takes 10 people to hold me down because I'm so ticklish!
- It's very important to get a good night's sleep. Sometimes I even sleep for three weeks—maybe I'm part bear!

# Slider's





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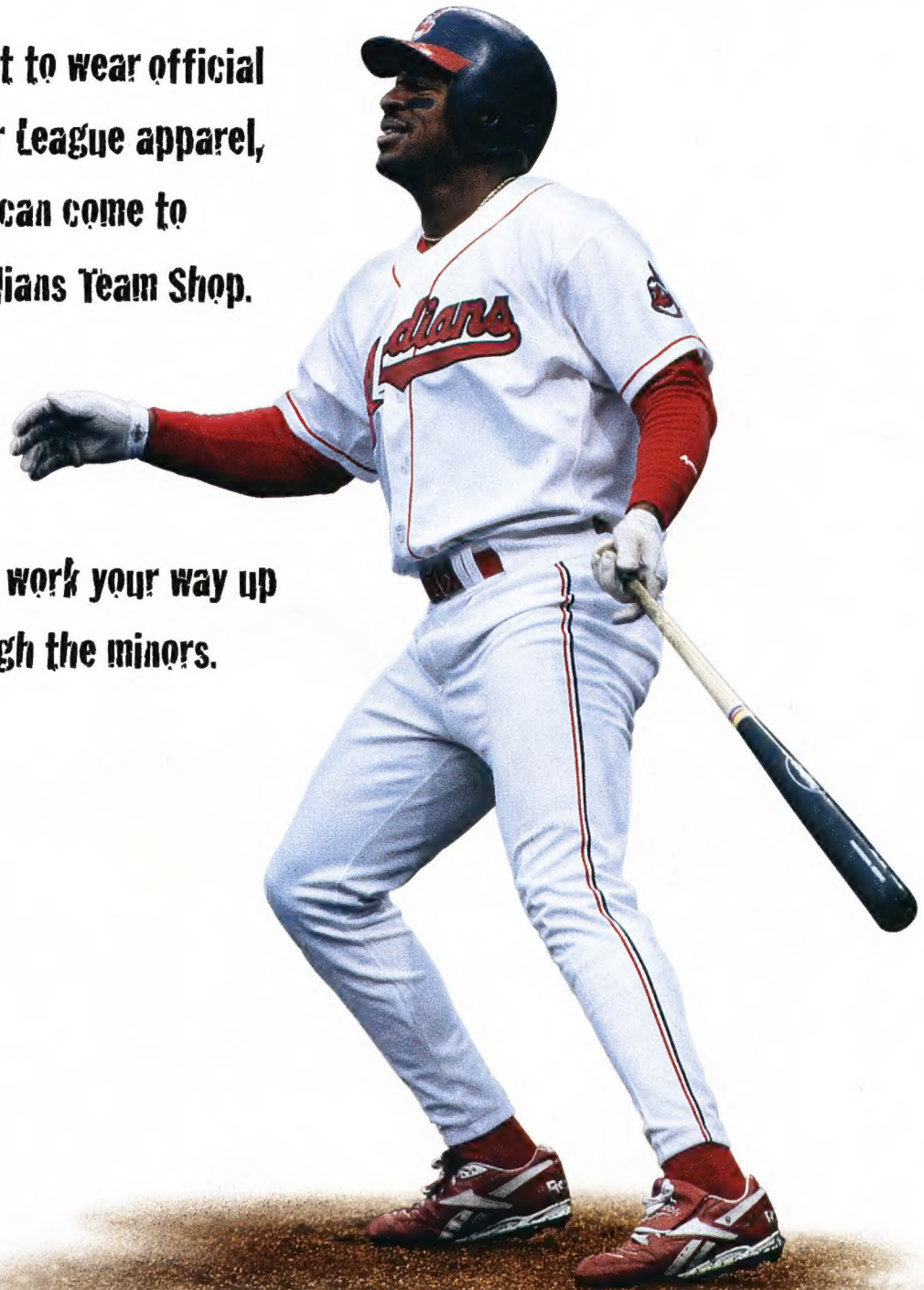


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